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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
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**Véronique FERRARI** ) Group Art Unit: 1615  
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Application No.: 09/937,314 ) Examiner: Jyothsna A. VENKAT  
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Filed: September 24, 2001 ) Notice of Allowance Dated: October 4, 2004  
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§ 371(c) Date: December 6, 2001 )  
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For: A TRANSFER-FREE ) Confirmation No.: 8380  
MASCARA COMPOSITION )  
COMPRISING AT LEAST )  
ONE VOLATILE SOLVENT )  
AND AT LEAST ONE )  
POLYMER (AS AMENDED) )

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**EXAMINER'S COMMUNICATION**

Applicant would like to thank the Examiner for the Notice of Allowance dated October 4, 2004. Applicant notes that the Examiner has returned to the Applicant all of the submitted Forms PTO 1449. While the Examiner has initialed numerous citations, several citations, including co-pending applications, were struck through and not initialed by the Examiner. These references were properly cited according to M.P.E.P. § 609, and should have been considered accordingly.

More specifically, regarding the co-pending applications, Applicant's representative telephoned the Examiner on September 29, 2004, regarding this issue in

two related, copending applications. From that conversation, Applicant's representative understood that the Examiner had considered all of the co-pending application information cited in the Forms PTO-1449 filed in all of the related, copending applications, including the present application, but that she had crossed through the citations to avoid printing of the copending application information on the face of any patent granted in any related, copending application.

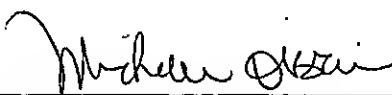
With regard to the foreign language references cited, Applicant has provided either English-language counterparts, Search Reports, or English-language Abstracts, and the undersigned is not aware of any more relevant information in any of the foreign language documents, all of which were properly cited under M.P.E.P. § 609.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this Communication and charge any additional required fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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